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**Deputy Director
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**Lieutenant General Lincoln D. Faurer, USAF
Director, National Security Agency
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Dear Linc:

The DCI has mentioned your interest in having the CIPC conduct a study with respect to the manner in which the Intelligence Community provides support to field commanders.

Because of the extreme complexity of that issue and the many equities involved--particularly within DoD, I am inclined to an approach which begins by defining very precisely the parameters of the problem and then using that knowledge as the basis for deciding whether a full CIPC study is appropriate.

Our concept of how to begin is attached. I would appreciate your reaction to this approach as well as your comments as to whether or not we have properly represented your views.

If we proceed along these lines, it would be very useful if the CIPC task force could spend some time with you as they begin their work.

Sincerely,

Eloise R. Page

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